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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 22, 2003 for the above-referenced patent application, Applicants submit the following response and request entry of the following amendments. Applicants wish to thank Examiner Strzelecka and Examiner Fredman for their time during the interview with Applicants' representative on January 28, 2004, and for reviewing the instant application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Summary of Interview begins on page 11 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.